

Application No. 10/764,008  
Response to Office Action

Customer No. 01933

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A disc drive suspension comprising:  
a base plate;

a load beam having a proximal portion with the base plate  
fixed thereon and a distal end portion;

5 a flexure fixed on the load beam and having a head portion  
thereon;

an extending portion which is provided on a side of the  
proximal portion of the load beam and which is integrated with  
the proximal portion, and said extending portion having a part of  
10 the flexure fixed thereon; and

a step forming portion ~~formed between the extending portion~~  
~~and which extends at an angle from the proximal portion to the~~  
~~extending portion of the load beam and along a side surface of~~  
~~the base plate, so as to offset the extending portion relative to~~  
15 ~~the proximal portion in a thickness direction of the load beam.~~

Claim 2 (Canceled).